

2008 STRATEGIC PLAN FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SCOPE OF WORK

The King County Metro Transit Division will develop for review and transmittal by the King County Executive a ten-year Strategic Plan for Public Transportation for review and adoption by the Metropolitan King County Council in 2008. In addition to updates of strategies in the 2002-2007 Six-Year Transit Development Plan deemed necessary by the Executive, and elements identified through its public outreach process, the Transit Division should include the following considerations and transit activities in its 2008 plan development work:

Planning Context: Implications for Public Transportation

- population, employment and local economic trends
- transportation network
- transit ridership forecast
- revenue trends and potential new revenue sources
- local and regional growth management plans
- city transit and transportation plans

Emerging Issues

- climate change
- healthy communities
- transportation system pricing
- transit role in mitigating freeway construction impacts

Regional Transportation

- integration with Link LRT beginning in 2009
- ST2 integration plans and project development
- mitigation of RTID construction impacts
- transit elements of Alaskan Way Viaduct replacement
- streetcar network and infrastructure
- transit elements of regional freeway projects
- service integration with other public transportation systems.

Monitoring and Management Strategies

- performance targets and measures
 - achievement
 - rider and non-rider perceptions and customer satisfaction

Further Development of the Transit Now Program

- detailed implementation plans for all Transit Now elements
- RapidRide service and capital attributes and project development for each corridor
- selected partnership projects
- developing area service improvement proposals

Capital Program

- capital needs and prioritization
- bus base expansion needs and timetable

- speed and reliability partnership projects
- layover needs and potential for off-street layover
- transit asset management program.
- transit technology projects
- fleet replacement and expansion
- bus technology: alternative fuels, low and zero-emission coaches

Operating Program

- peak-to-base service ratio
- construction mitigation service
- demonstration projects
- ADA paratransit service
- vanpool/vanshare programs
- urban center circulation
- service quality
- marketing
- security